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MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY

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Docket No. 03-0539

PETITION FOR SPECIAL PERMISSION

Now comes MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican), by its attorneys, and pursuant to Section 9-201 of the Illinois Public Utilities Act, requests special permission from the Commission to make the accompanying amendment to its gas tariff sheet filing, Ill. C. C. No. 2, First Revised Sheet No. 10, effective on less than the required notice. In support of this request, MidAmerican states that the Illinois Gas Use Tax Law contains provisions effective October 1, 2003 which require MidAmerican to revise this tariff to allow collection of the Gas Use Tax equal to 2.4 cents per therm on natural gas purchased from outside of Illinois for use or consumption in Illinois.

WHEREFORE, MidAmerican Energy Company respectfully requests the Commission permit the accompanying filing to become effective on less than standard notice.

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY

One of its attorneys

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF ILLINOIS)	
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COUNTY OF ROCK ISLAND)	

Debra L. Kutsunis, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states that she is Manager-Regulated Pricing of MidAmerican Energy Company; that she has reviewed the foregoing Petition for Special Permission and the same is true and correct to the best of her knowledge and belief; and that she has prepared the filing accompanying the Petition for Special Permission and the same is also true and correct to the best of her knowledge and belief.

Ocha J. Kutsunis

Debra L. Kutsunis

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, this **8** day of September, 2003.

Waren L. Strieder Notary Public

"OFFICIAL SEAL KAREN L. STRIEDER
Notary Public, State of Illinois
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